



## Robert N. Brammer

January 10, 1968 - May 19, 2015

Robert N. (Bob) Brammer, 47, apple grower, whiskey maker, world traveler, trained engineer, former soldier, and treasured husband, father, brother, brother-in-law, uncle, and friend, passed away suddenly on May 18, 2015.

The baby of the Brammer family with an adventurous and exuberant spirit to match, Bob came into this world on January 10, 1968, in Townsend, Montana, the youngest of five children born to Jerry Brammer and Fleda Brammer (née Albertson). Following his graduation from Broadwater County High School in 1986, Bob enlisted in the US Army, serving on active duty in the Signal Corps from May 1987 until June 1991. During the Gulf War, he served in combat in Saudi Arabia as a sergeant assigned to support communications for the 18th Airborne Corps. He continued to serve in the Montana Army National Guard until December 1996, earning awards as Montana's Aviation Soldier of the Year and Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) of the Year.

After returning from the Gulf War, Bob enrolled in Montana State University in Bozeman, where he met his wife, Karin Roose. The two were married in Townsend on March 12, 1994, and their only child, his beloved Margie Katherine, was born on August 31, 1995. In 1996 Bob graduated with an Electrical Engineering degree from Montana State, and the family moved to Brewster, Washington. There, Bob joined the management team of Crane and Crane Orchards, an apple-growing operation that had been in Karin's family

for several generations. Bob eventually became an owner and served as vice president and president for many years. During his years in Washington, he served on the Water Conservancy Board in Waterville and volunteered with numerous school- and sports-related organizations in Brewster and the surrounding areas.

In 2011, Bob left Crane and Crane to pursue a new career, opening a distillery. He researched distilling practices around the world and traveled as far as Japan to purchase equipment. Unfortunately, his health and time did not allow his dream business, Bold Spirits, in Pateros, Washington, to be realized. In recent years, along with his two brothers and brother-in-law, Mike, Bob journeyed twice to Africa to volunteer his time and engineering skills to Compassion Tanzania, a Montana-based nonprofit that provides wells and clean drinking water to remote villages in the region. He was incredibly proud to have been accompanied by his daughter, Margie, and niece Alexandra on his most recent trip to Tanzania. Bob's sense of adventure also took him to other far-flung locations around the world, including New Zealand and Antarctica.

Bob was devoted and very present in his daughter, Margie's, life. He cared that she pushed herself to be her best and he cared that she was a supportive teammate and friend. Volleyball, basketball, club volleyball, tennis and track -- he was there through it all challenging her, teasing her, and loving her.

Bob will be remembered for his unwavering selflessness as a provider and caregiver, his wicked sense of humor, his humble yet intrepid spirit, and his role as chief instigator of food and water fights at Brammer family gatherings. Left to cherish these memories are his wife, Karin, of Pateros; his daughter, Margie, a student at Gonzaga University; his sister Jill Mortensen and her husband, Gregg, of Bozeman, Montana; his brother David Brammer and his wife, Kathy, of Helena, Montana; his brother Jim Brammer and his wife, Sue,

of Dillon, Montana; his sister Kim Ferguson and her husband, Mike, of Red Lodge, Montana; honorary brother John Huth of Helena, Montana; stepfather Dave Campbell of Missoula, Montana; and numerous nieces, nephews, and in-laws. Bob was preceded in death by his father, Jerry Brammer; his mother, Fleda Brammer Campbell; his niece Melissa Brammer; and his nephew Matthew Mortensen.

Celebrations of Bob's life will be held at the Brewster High School Gymnasium at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 31, 2015, and on a date to be announced in Montana. The family requests that donations be sent to the Washington Apple Education Foundation (2900 Euclid Avenue, Wenatchee, WA 98801) or to the Wounded Warrior Project ([woundedwarriorproject.com/donate](http://woundedwarriorproject.com/donate)).

# Previous Events

## Service

MAY 31. 2:00 PM (PT)

Brewster High School  
503 S. 7th Street  
Brewster, WA 98812

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert N. Brammer*

January 29, 2023 at 08:49 AM



“ *I knew Robert Brammer when he was n the Army. I was so sad to hear he had passed at such an early age. Although I hadn't talked to Rob (we knew him as Rob in the service) in about 20 years he always had a special place in my heart. I've read the comments of others and it was no surprise he was a wonderful family man. I will pray for his family.*

*With sympathy,  
Jayne Sonognini*

**jayne sonognini** - October 15, 2015 at 05:24 PM



*Jayne, I found this out a few weeks ago. I had not spoken to Rob since just before he got out and my heart sank when I saw this! I so wish I would have kept in contact with him. Speaking of, would love to catch up with you!*

**david stradley** - July 17, 2017 at 10:20 PM



“ *What a real, kind, good, salt of the earth family. We spent many intense weekends at the gym....lots of fun and good memories. Bob was a good, kind, responsible, man who loved his wife and daughter dearly. So sorry for your, our loss. Bob will forever be remembered and in our hearts. The Tribley Family*

**jenny tribley** - June 02, 2015 at 11:20 PM

ES

“ Ed Schaplow lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer



Ed Schaplow - June 01, 2015 at 03:21 AM

JE

“ Margie, I wanted to share today at your Daddy's funeral, but I was sure I would not be able to talk without tears... I didn't know your Dad, except through the things you shared with me about your Dad. He was your biggest Cheerleader and Fan!! I was always so jealous of the lunches he would make for you every day. He always made you something healthy and 4 star! He loved to cook and he loved to make you happy.  
You are just like one of my kids, I Love you and my heart hurts for you and your mom... please know you can come and sit and chat anytime you want!!! Stay in touch. I am always excited to see you....Love and Prayers, Jennifer Evans



Jennifer Evans - May 31, 2015 at 06:10 PM

WE

“ Westerdahl's lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer



Westerdahl's - May 31, 2015 at 12:17 PM

JK

“ Joel And Debbie Kirk lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer



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**Joel and Debbie Kirk** - May 30, 2015 at 11:29 PM

LA

“ Karin and Margie,  
I have just heard about Bob and my heart is so sad for you. I have experienced similar pain and heartache. Know that Bob's spirit will always be with you and he has left a great legacy. God is with you and will help you thru this as well as the help from family and friends. Cherish the memories. Bob was a wonderful boss, so kind and thoughtful and caring.  
I loved his smile and gentle ways and sense of humor at work. He always tackled new challenges with his whole being. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
With love and sympathy,  
Lana Adkins

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**Lana** - May 30, 2015 at 08:31 PM

TG

“ *Karin and Margie:*

*My heart is broken for you. Bob was a wonderfully kind and gentle man. He was always gracious and sincere. I always enjoyed visiting with him the few times I would run into him around town. I am so very sorry for your loss and pray that God's strength and grace will bring you peace.*

*With love and sincere sympathy,  
Trudi*

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**Trudi Gamble** - May 30, 2015 at 06:30 PM

JR

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



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**Javier Remache** - May 30, 2015 at 05:14 PM

JR

“ *From Ecuador we send our deepest sympathy to the Brammer Family...we remember Bob as a great guy who struggled every single day for the ones he loved. He could be physically gone but his lessons and legacy will make him present all the time. R.I.P. dear Bob... TE RECORDAREMOS POR SIEMPRE!!!!*

*Con dolor y respeto.*

*Familia Remache Robayo.....Quito, Ecuador.*

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**Javier Remache** - May 30, 2015 at 05:09 PM

Brian  
Crane

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**Brian Crane** - May 30, 2015 at 04:22 PM

LM

“ *My fondest memories of Bobby were in church back in the 80's. Our preschool daughter Sara had such a crush on Bob, who was a teen at the time. She always wanted to sit near his family at church, and he was so kind to her. What a tragedy to lose Fleda and Bob in the same month. God bless them both; they were such good people.*

*Laura and Terry McArdle  
East Helena, MT*

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**Laura McArdle** - May 28, 2015 at 11:08 AM

SR

“ *May Peace Come To Your Hearts...Through Loving Memories Of Your Beloved Bob!*

*His Spirit Will Carry On In Each Of You. Our Thoughts And Prayers Are With You!*

*Susie And Kathleen*



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**Susie Ryan** - May 28, 2015 at 01:08 AM

TT

“ Bob was a family childhood friend since 3 years old, a church youth group comrade, fellow Boy Scout and Classmate. An outstanding, upstanding man of many great achievements. Prayers to the Brammer and extended families for their great losses in the past month. Rest in Piece my good friend... Thane Toney and Family



Thane A. Toney - May 27, 2015 at 01:55 PM

LL

“ Bob always had a smile for his fellow classmates. Many prayers for the Brammer family.



Lisa Graveley Larson - May 27, 2015 at 12:28 AM

AL

“ So sorry for this family's loss. A great classmate who is gone but will not be forgotten. The Class of 1986 mourns.



Aubra Lewis - May 26, 2015 at 09:47 PM

SA

“ Steve Arensmeyer lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer



Steve Arensmeyer - May 26, 2015 at 08:45 PM

KA

*Thanks Steve (and Tawny)- we still don't know what happened...*

**Karin** - June 02, 2015 at 12:43 AM

SB

“ *A team mate, a friend and nothing but good memories of a kind, honest, intelligent guy. I had not seen Bob since graduation, but always thought I would run into him at a reunion to catch up. By the sounds of things he was very busy and has accomplished a lot in the short amount of time on this earth... RIP #82 and God bless your family.*

**Shon Butterfield** - May 26, 2015 at 08:28 PM

VF

“ *Vince Hohn And Family lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer*



**Vince Hohn and family** - May 26, 2015 at 07:31 PM

VH

*God rest your soul and comfort your family.*

**Vince Hohn** - May 26, 2015 at 07:33 PM

DD

“ *Debbie Dressler lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer*



**Debbie Dressler** - May 26, 2015 at 04:18 PM

SD

“ *Shawn Dinsdale lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer*



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**Shawn Dinsdale** - May 26, 2015 at 02:55 PM

GC

“ *Geri Hansen Colvin lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer*



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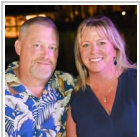
**Geri Hansen Colvin** - May 26, 2015 at 10:18 AM

GF

*Love and prayers to your family. Grateful to have known such a kind soul. May the peace of eternity and the love of our Saviour encircle you and your family.*

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**Geri Hansen Colvin and family** - May 28, 2015 at 02:53 PM



“ *Charmon Graveley-Hansen lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer*



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**Charmon Graveley-Hansen** - May 24, 2015 at 05:04 AM

PG

“ *Paula Dolezilek Gregory lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer*



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**paula dolezilek gregory** - May 23, 2015 at 08:48 PM

SG

“ *Susan Gelstin lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer*



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**Susan Gelstin** - May 23, 2015 at 04:34 PM

JL

“ *Jill Lanning lit a candle in memory of Robert N. Brammer*



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**Jill Lanning** - May 22, 2015 at 09:30 PM